

Answer on Question #82566 – Math – Differential Equations

Question

Solve

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2u}{dy^2} = 0$$

$$y = 0, y = 10, x = \text{infinity}$$

$$u(x, y) = x - x^2 \text{ at } x = 10$$

Solution

$$u = X(x)Y(y)$$

$$YX'' + XY'' = 0$$

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = \omega^2$$

$$\frac{d^2X}{dx^2} = \omega^2 X; \frac{d^2Y}{dy^2} = -\omega^2 Y$$

The general solution is:

$$u_k(x, y) = X_k(x)Y_k(y) = \exp\left(-\frac{\omega_k x}{10}\right) \sin \frac{\omega_k y}{10},$$

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k X_k(x)Y_k(y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \exp\left(-\frac{\omega_k x}{10}\right) \sin \frac{\omega_k y}{10}; \omega_k = k\pi$$

We have:

$$u(10, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k e^{-\omega_k} \sin \frac{\omega_k y}{10} = 10 - 100 = -90$$

$$a_k = -90 \cdot \frac{2}{10} \int_0^{10} e^{-\omega_k} \sin \frac{\omega_k y}{10} dy = 18e^{-\omega_k} \cdot \frac{10}{\omega_k} (\cos \omega_k - 1) = \frac{180e^{-\omega_k}}{\omega_k} ((-1)^k - 1)$$

Answer: $u(x, y) = 180 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ((-1)^k - 1) \frac{e^{-\omega_k}}{\omega_k} \exp\left(-\frac{\omega_k x}{10}\right) \sin \frac{\omega_k y}{10}$.